## MARGARET WOOD HASSAN Governor

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

## BY HER EXCELLENCY MARGARET WOOD HASSAN, GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER 2013-07

an order establishing the Governor's Commission on State Government Innovation, Efficiency and Transparency

WHEREAS, in the face of the economic recession, New Hampshire state government made significant cuts in funding, programs, facilities and personnel; and

WHEREAS, in the face of declining resources, state employees and state agencies have worked diligently to deliver the same or better services to New Hampshire citizens; and

WHEREAS, in light of these challenges, it is prudent to consider ways New Hampshire state government can continue to innovate and improve efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the private and nonprofit business sectors offer lessons in how to better use existing resources and new technologies to improve services in an era of shrinking resources; and

WHEREAS, as part of its efforts to improve efficiency, New Hampshire should also consider how to measure and improve the performance of state agencies and how to improve transparency to citizens;

NOW, THEREFORE; I, MARGARET WOOD HASSAN, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, by the authority vested in me pursuant to Part II, Article 41 of the New Hampshire Constitution, do hereby establish, effective May 29, 2013, the Governor's Commission on State Government Innovation, Efficiency and Transparency, which shall be comprised of the following members:

- 1) Representatives of the private and nonprofit business, higher education, and local government sectors with relevant experience in areas including performance measurement, reorganizations, efficiency and operational improvements, appointed by the Governor;
- 2) Three State Department Heads, appointed by the Governor;
- 3) A representative of the Governor's office, appointed by the Governor;
- 4) One representative of state employees; appointed by the Governor;
- 5) Chair of the House Executive Departments and Administration Committee
- 6) Chair of the Senate Executive Departments and Administration Committee
- 7) The Governor shall appoint the chair of the commission.

FURTHER, the Governor's Commission on State Government Innovation, Efficiency and Transparency shall be charged with the following responsibilities:

- a. Examining the organization of state government, and making recommendations on whether any aspects of state government should be reorganized to better meet the demands of a modern New Hampshire, including identifying any opportunities for reducing redundancies or streamlining services to the public;
- b. Examining and making recommendations for improving government processes, including the use of technology, to enhance the ability of state government and state employees to use resources efficiently and better serve the public;
- c. Examining and recommending methods for improving the State's contracting and relationship with its nonprofit partners, quasi-governmental agencies and local communities;
- d. Making recommendations for performance metrics for state government and for improving the transparency of state government operations; and
- e. Making any further recommendations Commission members believe will improve the efficiency and effectiveness of state government and improve its ability to deliver cost-effective quality services to the people of New Hampshire.

FURTHER, the Commission shall report regularly to the Governor on its work and recommendations;

FURTHER, the Commission shall submit a draft report by December 1, 2013 and submit its recommendations by December 1, 2014;

FURTHER, it is ordered that all State agencies cooperate with and assist the Governor's Commission on State Government Innovation, Efficiency and Transparency in its work.

Given at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this 29th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and thirteen and of the independence of the United States of America, two hundred and thirty-seven

GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE